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Michael H. Gilbert) Attorney Docket No.: F-120
Serial No.: 09/728,152) Customer No.: 00919
Filed: December 1, 2000) Group Art Unit: 3624
Confirmation No.:) Examiner:
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR VERTICAL MESSAGING, BILLING
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.
- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

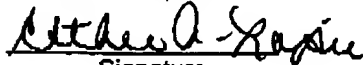
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